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**The Associated Students of the University of Montana  
Resolution Regarding Board of Regents  
March 23, 2011**

**Senate Bill SB31-10/11**

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Whereas the relationship between the Associated Students of The University of Montana and the Board of Regents is a mutual partnership;

Whereas the Montana Board of Regents has stated that they will not talk about possible raises in tuition until after the end of the current legislative session;

Whereas the 2011 Montana Legislature has *proposed to cut approximately* 32 million dollars for the Montana University System Budget;

Whereas the current cuts to Higher Education have been predicted *by the Governor's Office and the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education* to cause ~~around~~ a 16 – 19 percent raise in current tuition rates;

Whereas it is essential for students to be financially prepared for possible raises in tuition;

Whereas students cannot be prepared if they do not have an estimate provided by the Board of Regents;

Therefore, Let It Be Resolved that the Associated Students of The University of Montana urges the Board of Regents to begin the necessary discussions on *the potential* tuition *hikes* with both The Montana University System's *Students* and the Montana Legislature *immediately*.

Therefore Let It Be Further Resolved that the Associated Students of the University of Montana urge other student governments to ask the Board of Regents to begin this discussion *immediately*.

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Passed by ASUM Senate: \_\_\_\_\_, 2011

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